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Haileybury Young Entrepreneur Launches New Business - #940072

Province Helps Young People Contribute To Northern Prosperity

SUDBURY – The Ontario government is supporting youth entrepreneurship in the Haileybury area by investing in the start-up of a new recycling collection business, Northern Development and Mines Minister Rick Bartolucci announced today.

"The McGuinty government is committed to investing in small businesses, which are the economic mainstay of many northern communities," said Timiskaming-Cochrane MPP David Ramsay. "I am very pleased that our support will help launch a recycling business that will not only create new jobs but contribute to the environmental health of our community."

The Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC), through its Young Entrepreneur Program, is providing $12,200 to Eco-Logix for the purchase of equipment and facility renovations to operate a curbside recycling collection service. The business will supply blue recycling bins and offer a waste recycling pick-up service with special "to the door" service for seniors and persons with disabilities.

"We recognize that young people are one of Northern Ontario's most precious resources," said Bartolucci, who also chairs the NOHFC. "Our investments are helping ensure the future prosperity of Northern Ontario by helping young northerners build careers in our great region."

Other McGuinty government initiatives in support of northern prosperity include:

- Investing nearly $8.7 million to date, from the NOHFC, to provide internships and work placements to help some 475 young northerners launch their careers in the North
- Refocusing the NOHFC's Emerging Technology Program to help bring broadband Internet and cellular service to most of the North within three years
- Introducing the Northern Energy Program to help northern businesses and communities use renewable energy.

These projects are part of the government's Northern Prosperity Plan for building stronger northern communities. The Northern Prosperity Plan has four pillars: Strengthening the North and its Communities; Listening to and Serving Northerners Better; Competing Globally; and Providing

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